

WHERE HOLIDAY MONEY COUNTS.

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GIFTS FOR MEN.

Something for a man seems often to be a puzzling question for the ladies. Don't puzzle any more, here are many items that will please him:

CIGARS—This always suits the smoker.
SMOKING SETS—Few things he will appreciate more.
CIGAR CASES—A very practical present.
COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES—Very useful always.
A MEDALLION—For his room.
FOUNTAIN PENS—Will like this if he writes.
BOOKS—Can't go amiss on this if he is a reader.
OXFORD BIBLES—If he will use it.
STERLING NOVELTIES—Many expressly for the men.
POCKET BOOKS—We have the kinds men like.
POCKET KNIVES—He doubtless needs a new one.
INK STANDS—New ones that will please.
HAIR BRUSHES—Fine ones for gifts.
CLOTH BRUSHES—Have them with fancy backs.
MILITARY BRUSHES—Made for men.
PAPER KNIVES—We have many kinds.
HAT BRUSHES—Many to choose from.
WHISK BROOMS—We have fancy ones.
TRAVELING SETS—Useful whether he travels or not.
AUSTRIAN COURT CIGAR BOXES—Extra fine ones for Christmas and the latest.
CLOCKS—Get one for his room.
MIRRORS—A very useful article.
JEWELRY—No end of things in this line.
WATCHES—One of the finest gifts.
CHRISTMAS CARDS—A good-will token.

GIFTS FOR LADIES.

Those who are puzzled as to what to give a lady had better consult this list, make memoranda, then come and see other things we have no space to mention:

BOOKS—Padded leather gift editions, for instance.
ALBUMS—All the latest designs.
PHOTO HOLDERS—Always need of these.
TOILET CASES—Superb gift. We have fine ones.
MUSIC ROLLS—Often just the thing.
DRESSER SETS—These will be used.
MANICURE SETS—Every woman wants one.
GLOVES AND HANDKERCHIEF BOXES AND SETS.
WORK BOXES—Nice line of these.
PHOTO FRAMES—In metal.
FANCY CANDLESTICKS—Have to have them now-a-days.
FANCY THERMOMETERS—Made for use and ornament.
FINE CHINA—Never any doubt about this.
CUT GLASS—No woman ever gets too much of it.
VASES AND ROSE BOWLS—We have beauties.
WAVE CREST WARE—The ladies rave over it.
MEDALLIONS—Can't miss it on this item.
CHAFING DISHES—No woman happy until she gets one.
JEWELRY—A hundred gifts in this line.
STERLING NOVELTIES—No end of suitable presents.
GOLD PENS—With pearl handles, of course.
MIRRORS—Hand mirrors in all the styles.
JEWEL BOXES—Many beautiful kinds.
WATCHES—Always a peerless gift.
POCKET BOOKS—In all the new leathers.
CELLULOID AND PLUSH GOODS—Dozens of fine presents.
PERFUME—One thing that is always suitable.

GIFTS FOR BOYS.

There are too many of these to tell of, for some lines are so large as to permit of choosing something for every boy of your acquaintance.

BOOKS—This the standard for boys.
POCKET KNIVES—Hard to find a better thing.
GAME BOARDS—Home amusement for the year.
GAMES—We have all the new ones.
WATCHES—Can't find anything better than these.
BRUSHES—He needs toilet articles of his own.
PICTURES—One for his room.
STERLING NOVELTIES—Many suitable ones.
FRENCH HARP—Probably just what he wants.
TOYS—In abundance for small boys.
COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES—A useful present.
PURSE OR POCKET BOOKS—Plenty to pick from.



Our line of Holiday Goods is now on display. In variety, novelty and extent this stock exceeds anything ever seen in this part of the state. It is unusual, too, in the matter of prices. Buying as big a line as we have gave us a tremendous advantage in getting bed-rock prices, and all this advantage we pass on to you. We do this right in the spirit because we

Must Sell the Goods

We cannot afford to carry such a stock over so have put prices down to where they will compel buying. We have everything that is new. Everything that is worth giving and everything for lowest prices.

GIFTS FOR GIRLS.

There should be no trouble in selection of gifts of this class, especially when you come to the store. Here are a few hints:

BOOKS—Scores of them especially for girls.
PEN KNIVES—Few girls have them. All need them.
POCKET BOOKS—Plenty of these here.
WORK BOXES—Kinds made solely for girls.
FANCY ARTICLES—In celluloid, silver, etc.
PICTURES—Certain to please.
TOILET ARTICLES—All sorts of these.
CAMERAS—The gift that never missed the mark.
WATCHES—Every girl hopes for one.
GAMES—Many kinds at many prices.
BIBLES—Small Oxford will please.
PERFUMES—Even very small girls like Perfume.

JEWELRY NOVELTIES.

We have scores of new Things in our jewelry department. We pick these things for the people who seek new goods and urge you to make your choice while the assortment is unbroken. Our jewelry stock also includes all sorts of fine goods of a standard character that you ought to see. Silverware and Sterling Novelties in abundance.

WATCHES.

Many watches are bought each Christmas. We feel certain that careful buyers will get them here this season. We have the stock and make the price.

SUPERB CHINA.

Can't describe the beauties of our China stock. No one need look farther who has a gift to buy for a lady.

H. M. Sigloch,

Keytesville, Missouri.

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WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Reported for the Courier by A. F. Haralson, Commission Broker.

WHEAT—Mr. Armour and his friends have had hard sledding bulling wheat since last writing. The weather conditions throughout the wheat belt have been all that could be desired and the export demand has not been encouraging to operations on the long side. No one doubts Mr. Armour's ability to push up prices with the least bit of encouragement to help him, but to hold it up in the face of the present situation is another proposition. I believe wheat will continue to sell lower until an export basis is reached, when it will be in order to buy in short stuff and go long a little. The insiders have begun to transfer their operations to July and the big decline will be in that option. The Chicago markets assumed a holiday aspects at the opening to-day and were very dull until well into the last hour, when buying that looked like Armour created a little enthusiasm, and prices recovered early losses and worked up 1-2c above yesterday's close. A private Argentine cable said some damage to wheat by wet weather, and as this was first unqualified statement of damage from there it had a bullish effect. Broomhall reported bad weather in southern Russia, also that advices from Australia generally favorable, although mention was made of lower crop estimates. There was some fair selling by Spence and Cudahy brokers, the market easing off on comparatively large receipts at primary points. May closed at 81 3-8 to 81 1-2. July 76 1-4 to 76 3-8.

CORN—Holding strong. Fluctuations in a narrow range—tendency upward. Corn is worth the money and I do not believe it will sell much lower. May closed 43 5-8 to 43 3-4, an advance of 1-4c over last night. July closed 43 3-8 to 43 1-2, an advance of 1-4c over last night's close.

OATS—Dull and featureless market. Fluctuations narrow. There has been a half cent break from high figures and oats look cheap at the price. May closed at 36 7-8 to 37; July at 34c.

PROVISIONS—Considerable selling the past two days by small holders on account of the free supply of hogs, but the packers are not selling and the recessions in price are normal. Pork opened off 20 cts. to-day owing to heavy receipts of hogs over the estimate, but closed 10 cts. higher on active trading. Do not believe pork will sell materially lower and purchases around present prices should show handsome profits.

STOCKS—This market has given ample evidence of inherent strength. The shorts have been pretty well run in and prices are holding firm at the high level on their merits. We may get nothing better than a traders' market until after the holidays, but prices will not likely go lower and good stocks bought now will show handsome profits when the January movement starts. Stocks were never relatively cheaper than they are to-day.

Wheat protected by snow except in parts of Kansas and southwest. General position not essentially changed. Plants small and generally healthy. Corn situation unchanged. Movement increasing slowly. Packing 625,000 against 575,000.

Notice to Bank Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' Bank of Chariton County will be held at its office in the bank building in the city of Keytesville, County of Chariton, and State of Missouri, on the 4th day of January, 1914, at 9 o'clock a. m. for the election of (11) directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

L. M. APPLEGATE, Pres.
 C. C. MILLER, Cashier.

Obituary.

GILLIAM—Chas. E. Gilliam died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Gilliam, near Rothville, Mo., Tuesday, Dec. 3, 1903, aged 13 years, 4 months and 10 days. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. C. Miller Dec. 9 at 11 o'clock, and the body was placed in Rothville cemetery. Charlie had been attending school at Macon, but came home about 10 days before his death on account of sickness, which proved to be that dread disease, typhoid fever. Though we cannot understand why a life so full of promise and the center of so many bright hopes should pass from our midst so soon, yet, in our sorrow, we are consoled with the thought that it is well with him, and we bow in submission to God's will. He was always a faithful attendant at Sunday-school and a most loyal and devoted member of the Y. P. S. C. E., and many are the hearts that will ache for his sympathy and help when, day after day, is viewed his vacant chair. In October, 1902, he united with the Christian church. His Bible was his constant companion, and he loved to seek daily strength in the "quiet hour" spent in the presence of God. Many friends and relatives join with his father and mother in thanksgiving to God for his fadeless beauty of life in Christ. May we all live our gratitude by more faithful obedience to Him who redeemed us to "seek other souls to win."

"I cannot say, and I will say, That he is dead—he is just away. With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand He has wandered into an unknown land."

And left us dreaming how very fair It needs must be since he lingers there. And you,—oh! you, who the wildest year For the old time step and the glad return. Think of him faring on as dear In the love of there as the love of here. Think of him still as the same, I say. He is not dead—he is just away.

A FRIEND.

Cash or trade paid for butter, eggs and poultry at J. F. Whitesides.

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For reliable fire, lightning, windstorm, tornado or life insurance, see Martin & Taylor, Keytesville.

John C. Miller, one of Keytesville's most worthy citizens, left Tuesday for Nashville, Tenn., where he will spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Blanton, whose husband is president of Ward seminary of that city.

The Democrat records the following nery act of Fred Repenhagen of Salisbury Tuesday evening of last week. While he was suffering excruciating pain from a felon on the thumb of his left hand, took his moon-shaped harness-knife, placed his thumb on the bench in his harness-shop, and with one stroke cut it off just above the thumb nail as smooth as if it had been done by a surgeon. But Dr. Banning had to be summoned to stop the flow of blood, and bandage the wound and reports that Fred is getting along all right.

We still have a number of COURIER wall atlases, and no well-regulated home should be without one. They make a convenient and ready reference, and contain maps of Missouri, of the United States and of the eastern and western hemispheres and the flags of all nations. On the state map is a list of all the counties, towns and cities of Missouri and the population of each for the census year 1900. There is on the back of the map of the United States a list of all the towns and cities of this country with a population of 3,000 or over for the census years 1880, 1890 and 1900. Call and get one of the atlases. They can be secured by subscribers to the COURIER for only 25c. At that price you cannot well afford to be without such a valuable compilation.

You Have Found Your Sale.

Here it is. L. E. Cook & Co., proprietor of the Big General Merchandise Store, will, commencing

Saturday, Dec. 19,

give away with every \$5 worth of goods purchased at his store a set of

Silver Spoons.

He is now closing out his big stock at prices that defy competition. Come everybody and get your Christmas present at the big sale. One door east of Bank of Keytesville.

L. E. COOK & CO.,
 Keytesville, Mo.

Calendars.

The COURIER has just received 500 very handsome calendars for the year 1904, which we propose to give away to the first 500 persons who become new subscribers, to the old subscribers who renew their subscription, to those who favor us with an order for job work, or give the COURIER an advertisement. Our new calendars are not only ornamental, but they are also useful, and you would be proud to have one in your place of business or your home. They will be sent, post-paid, to any address on compliance with terms.

C. P. VANDIVER,
 Pub. COURIER.

Bargains in Millinery.

I am selling all ready-to-wear and children's ready trimmed hats at cost and even below cost.

Mrs. C. P. VANDIVER.

Eld. H. J. Corwine and wife left for Fulton Wednesday. He was pastor of the Christian church here until recently, but now has charge of two churches of that faith down about Fulton. Our best wishes follow them to their new home.

Fight Will be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by W. C. Gaston, druggist. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free.

See our Calendars.